

SEC. 39. That nothing contained in this act shall be construed Law not repealed. in any manner to repeal chapter four hundred and ninety-one of the Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seven.

SEC. 40. That all other laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 41. That this act shall be in force from and after the first When act effective. Monday in April, one thousand nine hundred and nine.

Ratified this the 27th day of February, A. D. 1909.

## CHAPTER 392.

### AN ACT FOR THE BETTER MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF NEW HANOVER COUNTY.

*The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:*

SECTION 1. That the Board of Commissioners of New Hanover Question of special tax submitted to voters. County, in order to provide for the better maintenance of the public-school system in said county, be and they are hereby authorized and directed, whenever requested by the board of education of said county, to submit to a vote of the qualified electors of New Hanover County the question, "Shall New Hanover County levy a special tax for the better maintenance and support of the public schools of said county?" Said board of commissioners shall for at least thirty (30) days preceding the said election give public notice of the time and places for holding said election and the purposes thereof by publication in one or more newspapers published in said county. Notice of election.

SEC. 2. That said election shall be held and conducted, as near Law governing election. as may be, in the same manner as prescribed by law for holding elections for members of the General Assembly: *Provided, however,* that said board of commissioners shall order a new registration and appoint the registrars and judges of the election; that the vote shall be counted at the close of the polls, and returned to said board of commissioners on the second day next after said election, and said board of commissioners shall tabulate and declare the result of the election, all of which shall be recorded in the minutes of the board of commissioners, and no other recording and declaration of the result of said election shall be necessary. Proviso: new registration; officers for election. Count and return of votes.

SEC. 3. That at said election the ballots shall have written or Ballots. printed upon them the words "For Public-school Tax" or "Against Public-school Tax." All qualified voters who favor the levy of the special tax shall vote "For Public-school Tax." All qualified voters who are opposed thereto shall vote "Against Public-school Tax."